# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# AGRICULTURE
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PRODUCTION OF VANILA
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**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government have any schemes for encouraging Vanila cultivation;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether India has domestic and foreign market for Vanila; and

(d) if so, the details thereof alongwith the price in both these sectors during each of the last three years?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a)&(b): For encouraging vanila cultivation a Centrally Sponsored Scheme on MacroManagement in Agriculture – Supplementing/Complementing the State Efforts through Work Plansis being implemented. Under this scheme the programmes included to promote vanila cultivation are: (i) Production and distribution of quality planting material at 25% subsidy; and (ii) Establishment and maintenance of demonstration plots in the farmers` field in potential vanila growing States by providing assistance @ 25% of cost of inputs limited to Rs.500/- per plot. Besides, the Spices Board under Ministry of Commerce is implementing following programmes to promote vanilla cultivation:

| Programme | Incentive/assistance provided |
|---|---|
| New planting | 50% of the cost of planting material subject to a maximum of Rs.5/- per cutting. |
| Setting up vanila Processing units | 25% of the cost of vanilla curing unit subject to a maximum of Rs.2500/- . |

(c)&(d): There is no organized domestic market for vanila in India, however, small quantities of vanila are exported. The details of quantity and value of export of vanila for the last three years are as under:-

| Year | Quantity (tonnes) | Value (Rs. in lakhs) |
|---|---|---|
| 2000-2001 | 22.21 | 505.00 |
| 2001-2002 | 26.50 | 1679.00 |
| 2002-2003 (April-February) | 12.00 | 950.00 |

The average prices per kg. of processed vanila in the international market during the years 2000-2001, 2001-2002 and 2002-2003 is given below:-

(US$ per Kg.)

| Year | Average prices of processed vanila |
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| 2000-2001 | 82.00 |
| 2001-2002 | 153.00 |
| 2002-2003 | 202.00 |